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For: NOVEL SERINE PROTEASE)

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

All finally rejected claims in the decision of the Primary Examiner dated June 1, 2001 are hereby appealed to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

The Appeal fee was previously paid on _____.
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Respectfully submitted,

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